

NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Lincoln Police Department and the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

The Honorable Richard G. Kopf, United States District Judge in Lincoln, Nebraska, on December 18, 2009, sentenced Chris J. Gonzalez, Jr., to 11 years and three months imprisonment following his conviction for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine and cocaine. Witnesses for the government provided information that proved Gonzales was responsible for distributing over two and a half kilos of methamphetamine along with cocaine and marijuana. Mr. Gonzalez was indicted by a federal grand jury in February, 2009, pled guilty in September, 2009, and was sentenced on December 18, 2009.

Name of Defendant: Chris J. Gonzalez, Jr.

AKA:

Age: 29

City of Residence: Lincoln, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty: Conspiracy to distribute 500 grams or more of a substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine and distribute cocaine

10 to life in prison, up to \$4,000 000 fine, not less than five years supervised release.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: N/A

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: over two kilos of methamphetamine and over 450 grams of cocaine

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: June 1, 2006 through September 1, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: February 20, 2009

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: February 19, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: February 20, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): pled September 28, 2009

Sentencing Date: December 18, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: David L. Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard G. Kopf

Initials of Assigned SAUSA/Preparer of THIS Release: JML